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ATTENTION CALLED TO LAW.

Unlawful to Keep Any Dependent Child in Any Poorhouse.

W. H. Jeffrey, secretary of the board of charities and probation, has sent to the overseers and selectmen of the towns the following letter:

At the meeting of the board of charities and probation held at the State House Wednesday, July 24, I was instructed to communicate with you and call your attention to sec. 7315 of chapter 518 of the general laws of Vermont, this section being 16 of No. 224, acts of 1917, and reads:

Sec. 7315. It shall be unlawful to keep any dependent child in any poorhouse, except in cases of emergency, for a period not to exceed ninety days.

Investigation and inspection of the poorhouses of the state have shown that in some instances the provision of the law is not being complied with.

The legislature, in its wisdom, has declared against the practice of maintaining dependent children in poorhouses of the state and it has been found, in some instances, that the children are not kept separate from the adult population of the institution and they are, of necessity, compelled to live under conditions and in an environment which deprives them of their natural right of a fair opportunity to grow into good manhood and womanhood.

That every boy and girl, whether rich or poor, shall have, so far as the state is concerned, an equal opportunity and a fair chance of meeting and solving

the problems of life, I am directed by the board to ask for your co-operation and a compliance with the section above referred to.

This letter is sent to the above indicated officials in all cities and towns maintaining poorhouses whether children are being cared for in their institutions or not.

The board of charities and probation would appreciate an acknowledgment of the receipt of this letter.

Wheat and Rye Conference.

Plans for carrying out the wheat and rye planting program of the United States department of agriculture for 1918-19 in the central west were considered at a conference of officials of the department and state representatives, held in Chicago, July 25 and 26.

State agricultural college extension directors and wheat specialists from 10 states were present. These states—Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan—have been asked by the department to plant a little more than 27,000,000 acres of winter wheat or practically three-fifths of the acreage suggested as a minimum for the entire United States. Every state representative at the conference felt confident that the minimum acreage allotment for his state could and would be planted, and that if conditions continued favorable the maximum acreage suggested by the department might be reached.

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BARRE DAILY TIMES

MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 1918.

The Weather.

Thunder showers this afternoon or tonight; warmer in the interior of Maine; Tuesday partly cloudy; moderate south winds.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Only five more days to pay your taxes. Good values in paint brushes at A. V. Beckley's.

Mrs. Carrie Kelley has gone to Montreal for a month's visit with relatives.

Giovanni Boghi of Smith street left the city this forenoon for South Quincy, Mass., where he expects to secure employment.

Mrs. Roy Scholes and Mrs. Leon Shute of Belfast, Me., are visiting in the home of their sister, Mrs. Clarence Hall of Liberty street.

Misses Emma, Rose and Helen Honey of Montpelier have been week-end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Foster in Granvilleville.

Miss Lena Buzzi of Blackwell street commenced a two weeks' vacation from her duties as a clerk at the Homer Fitts store this forenoon.

William Wright of North Seminary street left this forenoon for Boston and Quincy, Mass., where he is making a visit of several days.

The regular meeting of Cobble Hill grange will be held Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. The first and second degrees will be worked and a short program will be given.

Mrs. Edson Lander and daughter, who have been visiting during the past few days at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Lander of Washington street, returned this forenoon to their home in Lebanon, N. H.

Miss Lottie Merrill of Franklin street resumed her duties as a clerk at the A. P. Abbott store this forenoon, after having a vacation of two weeks, which she spent at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Merrill of Bethel.

George H. Crawford, ensign of the Salvation Army and family of Branch street, left the city this forenoon for Greenfield, Mass., where they expect to make a visit of several days with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon E. Rockwell, who were married at St. Albans Saturday, were registered at Hotel Barre through the week end. The bride was formerly Miss Louise C. Morrison, daughter of J. M. Morrison of St. Albans. The couple are to reside in Burlington.

The regular monthly meeting of the Red Cross will be held Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Red Cross headquarters at the Church street school building. Everyone who is interested in Red Cross work is asked to attend the meeting. Miss Evelyn M. Drew, secretary.

Gage & Gage's office hours for this week at Barre will be as follows: Monday, usual hours; Tuesday, 10:30 to 12 a. m.; Thursday, 10:30 to 12 a. m. and 6:30 to 8 p. m.; Friday, 10:30 to 12 a. m. and 6:30 to 8 p. m.; Saturday, 10:30 to 12 a. m. and 6:30 to 8 p. m. No office hours Wednesday and Saturday—adv.

A photograph of the U. S. base hospital detachment, stationed at the present time at Camp Hancock, Ga., is being displayed in the show window of the Moore & Owens store. The photograph is the property of Mrs. Sherman Parker of Spaulding street, whose son, George Parker, is attached to the unit.

Traffic cops who did duty in the business section Saturday afternoon and evening turned in two complaints to Grand Juror William Wishart, with the result that Carl Bruce of Worcester and James E. Mitchell of Barre each paid a fine of \$2 and costs of \$6.05 in municipal court this morning. The men were charged with driving their autos without lights and both pleaded guilty when brought before Magistrate H. W. Scott.

Joseph J. Concas of this city, who was locked up yesterday on an intoxication charge, appeared before Magistrate H. W. Scott in municipal court this forenoon and acknowledged a third offense. The respondent was held until this afternoon for a further disclosure. Charles E. Tupper of Barre and Bakersfield, listed as an habitual drunkard, admitted a subsequent offense. He disclosed and expects to pay a fine of 15 and costs.

Thomas C. McCarthy of South Main street received a painful injury while employed at Barclay Bros.' granite plant on Circle street Saturday forenoon. Mr. McCarthy was engaged in boxing several finished monuments, and while cutting boards with a circular saw, the board in some manner slipped and caught his right thumb against the saw, cutting the thumb off at the middle. Mr. McCarthy was taken to a physician's office, where the wound was dressed. Unless complications set in, it is expected that the wound will heal rapidly, although it will be several weeks before he can resume his employment.

At the Aldrich public library to-day a fresh appeal for books was received from the American Library association, which has undertaken to supply our boys in the army and navy with the kind of reading matter they like. The appeal states that more than 600,000 books have been sent overseas alone and that several hundred thousand more will be needed in the near future by the six dispatch offices which are now shipping books to France. The books are packed in strong cases, which afterward serve as bookcases. Those that go on the decks of transports are open so that the men may have reading matter for use on the voyage. All, however, are gathered together again, replaced in the cases and delivered to the proper officials in France. It is hoped that Barre people will contribute largely to this new call by leaving their book donations at the library.

Everybody knows how a rumor spreads if you don't pour formaldehyde on it. Yesterday for the third consecutive Sunday story-mongers pursued with unusual vigor their task of circulating unfounded yarns with the result that by evening not only had Germany's favorite child of the me-and-Gott partnership been delivered over to the allies, but with him went some eight or ten thousand prisoners and twice as many stands of arms. Montpelier seems to be fruitful soil for most of the stories, for nearly 75 per cent of the calls to the Times received during the day came from people who got their information at the capital. Someone's brother who has a cousin who is a conductor on the railroad relieved a passing acquaintance of the information, coming from a nebulous "Montreal wire" that he had received a willing earful all about the crown prince and his bad Sunday. The conductor in turn told the story to somebody's brother, who whispered it in the dark of the moon to a Montpelier friend, and by 9 o'clock the entire countryside, to say nothing of Barre and Montpelier, was waiting to hear that the allies had crossed the Rhine. Boy, page the fool killer!

TALK OF THE TOWN

Miss May E. White of Bellows Falls has been passing a few days with friends in Barre.

Miss Martha Chalmers of Camp street has resumed home from Lyndonville and Groton, where she has been visiting relatives.

Miss Amy Huggard conducted services in the First Baptist church Sunday in the absence of the pastor, who is taking a vacation.

The municipal court case of State vs. Fritz W. Jackson, charged with a violation of the automobile laws, which was set for a jury trial, has been continued.

James Lambert, who has been passing a brief furlough at his home, 94 Brook street, has returned to the U. S. naval radio school at Harvard college, Cambridge, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. James F. Dewey of Quebec motored to Barre to-day on business, continuing the afternoon to Burlington. Mr. Dewey is manager of A. G. Dewey Co.'s woolen mill in Quebec.

Why don't you plan to board this winter? You know the conditions of coal and food and we can spare a few rooms at special rates. Better make your plans now. Hotel Barre, J. V. Rowen, manager.

According to the police, 10 autoists who violated the statute relating to lighting auto lamps have been asked to appear before Magistrate H. W. Scott to answer to charges preferred against them by Grand Juror William Wishart on complaints made by the traffic officers through the week end.

MONTPELIER

Clinton Gillette, who has been employed as caretaker in the W. L. Perkins livery stable, has commenced work as driver of the number two rig in the fire department. He is a good man with horses and ought to fill the place with satisfaction.

Friday evening a ladder drill was held at the union school building. Several new men have entered the department since the last ladder drill was held and they were given a chance to see what they could do. Chief Perkins expects to have ladder drills weekly for a while, at least, to give the men experience in that part of fire fighting.

J. M. Boutwell of Montpelier, John Cross of Northfield, S. H. Jackson, George Stratton, E. J. Bachelder and H. D. Hinman of Barre leave next Saturday for Chicago, to attend the annual meeting of the Quarters' National association, the above being the committee appointed by Mr. Boutwell.

Lieut. Arthur Ellis, who is in aviation service, is visiting Mrs. Ellis.

Harold Adams, who has been visiting here, will, Sunday morning, to Waterbury to visit relatives. He will leave for Washington, D. C., Aug. 16 to resume his treatment in hopes of improving his health. In some ways he has improved while here.

In probate court Saturday morning the hearing relative to the guardianship of Ida Crugniola was held, which resulted in the appointment of Andrea and Laura Crugniola as guardians of the girl, who it is understood, is the same child who foster parents were in juvenile court in Barre last week, charged with abuse of the child.

R. W. Simonds has returned from Boston, where he had been in conference over the U. S. employment service. He has been given the entire charge of Vermont and will have his office here. He does not plan to appoint any examiner in Montpelier, but will make his office a clearing house for the state offices. Examiners and junior examiners will be appointed at St. Johnsbury, Newport, Bennington and possibly in other towns if the labor situation seems to demand it. He will go to Burlington Tuesday evening to meet the labor men and employers in that city relative to the organization of a community labor committee and will visit the other towns as soon as time will permit, for the purpose of getting the community labor organizations completed.

Guy Norris was called to Barre last evening by his mother having undergone an operation at the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cassi and children of Concord, N. H., are sitting with Mr. and Mrs. A. Bernardin.

Miss Mary Watson is taking a vacation from her work in the National Life office.

Perry Stone of Northfield, who has been a railroad operator, left this morning for the signal corps service.

Claude Phillips of Duxbury has been changed from class C2 to E1 by the district board, while Mark Morey of Waterbury has been similarly transferred. These men are both agriculturally employed.

Mrs. Curtis Guyette of Hartford, Conn., is visiting in the city. Corporal Raymond Guyette, her son, who spoke in the city hall a few weeks since, and who was one of the 60 soldiers sent back here, has gone back to France to join his regiment.

Officer Frank Baldwin, who has been enjoying his annual vacation, has resumed his duties on the police force.

A hearing took place in the county clerk's office this morning relative to the foreclosure of the Cotton shops of the mortgagees. The listers, L. C. Pollard, F. E. Groat and W. M. Parker of Montpelier, made a statement that \$27,500, the amount the property is appraised at, is a fair valuation for listing purposes.

E. C. Givens cross-examined the witnesses. J. J. Glinney later was before those interested in the case, giving his opinion as to the worth of the property. Several of the attorneys were present.

Chief Master-at-Arms Charles Mitchell has received from the navy department advice that men between the ages of 18 and 40 years can enroll in the service as naval reserves and that they will be guaranteed a home in the winter months to help in harvesting the crops. Of course men within the draft must secure a release from their local board. Mr. Mitchell had good success in his trip last week to St. Johnsbury, securing two at St. Johnsbury Friday, four at Lyndonville and two at St. Johnsbury Saturday. He left this afternoon for more work in that section, after which he will visit Wells River and Bradford, then Groton and Peacham. George P. Sullivan of Rutland, who applied for enlistment, was rejected because of poor teeth.

WILLIAMSTOWN

There will be a canning and drying demonstration by the women's club, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Come and get some new ideas to help in this great problem of food conservation. Mrs. L. D. Gale, chairman of food conservation.

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Our Mid-Summer Clearance Sale

started Saturday with a rush, hundreds of customers taking advantage of the special values offered in seasonable merchandise. It's going to be a thorough clearance of Suits, Coats, Dresses, Waists, Wash Skirts, etc.

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Clearance Prices in Our Ready-to-Wear Dept.

COAT SPECIAL AT \$3.98 An odd lot of Misses' Wool Coats that formerly sold up to \$12.50.

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FUNERAL OF MRS. BARTLETT.

Many from Out of Town Attend Services at Plainfield.

The funeral of Mrs. Clinton Bartlett, who died Friday in Waterbury, was held at her home in Plainfield yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. A. W. Hewitt officiating. Burial was in the Center cemetery in Plainfield. The bearers were J. G. Austin, her brother, W. E. Gay, a brother-in-law, Ray K. Bartlett, brother of Mr. Bartlett, and C. Arthur Sinclair of Montpelier.

Those from out of town who attended the funeral were Mrs. J. J. Austin of Granville, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gay of Granville, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Hoyt and family of Hartwick, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Daniels of St. Johnsbury, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Austin of Hardwick, Pearl and Sumner Austin of Hardwick, Arch Nye of Barre, Mr. and Mrs. Will Nye of South Barre, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Perkins of Barre, Mr. and Mrs. John Worcester of South Barre, Mr. and Mrs. Thaddeus Martin of Barre, Mr. and Mrs. Harwell Skinner of Barre, Clyde Perry of Barre, Arthur Batchelder of Barre, Mr. and Mrs. Naum Kelton of East Montpelier, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dudley of East Montpelier, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hubbard of Granville.

There were many flowers, a list of donors following: Pillow, C. A. Bartlett; 42 asters, representing her age, Mrs. J. J. Austin; sweet peas and carnations, J. G. Austin and wife; asters, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gay; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. Church; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair; carnations, Mrs. Mary R. Cobb; mixed flowers, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Towne; asters, Mr. and Mrs. William Nye; asters, Mr. and Mrs. John Worcester; asters, Arch Nye; asters, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Bartlett; sweet peas, Mr. and Mrs. Harwell Skinner; carnations, B. C. Hoyt and family; roses and carnations, Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Page; asters, cousins; carnations, Mrs. E. D. Bartlett; mixed flowers, John Ryan; mixed flowers, Frank Hoyt.

The Americans' Third Trial.

The correspondent who reports that the fighting of the Americans at the Marne was the most dramatic episode of the war since the taxicab army saved Paris may be drawing the bow a bit far in his exultation, yet the general tone of the news about our men abroad is indeed inspiring. Strip it down to the bone of official fact and it still remains great news. The Yankees have been tried at Seicheprey, at Campaign, and now at Neuilly wood, and each time the result is better.

Hardly any one has the sublime faith of Miss Edna Ferber's hero, who insisted that he could "win six of them" yet it is becoming evident, even to the coldest observer, that man for man the American troops are better fighting men than the Germans. While this might not be apparent in great battle movements, it seems to be true beyond question in the open infantry fighting and the skirmishes. Our men have been used in both of these and their performances have left no doubt.

At the beginning of the war green troops were the bugaboo of the military men. Kitchener wanted six months of intensive training for his recruits before he felt that they could be shot over without loss of morale, not to say panic. How is it now? British soldiers, freshly drafted, were pitted against the shock troops of the enemy in the terrific battle west of Rheims the other day, and although the odds against the new men were overwhelming they fought undiminishedly not merely to the last shot from the field guns, but to the last bullet from their revolvers.

It has been the same with the Americans. They not only faced the shower from the Germans' machine guns, but destroyed the machine gun position. It was with the bayonet that they drove the Germans from Neuilly wood. Whether alone or side by side with the French, Pershing's men showed the magnificent spirit. "They dig in with one hand, fight with the other and smile at the same time." It was they who drove the Hun back across the Marne.

The discipline, the years of slavish training, were an advantage to the German troops at the beginning of the war. But now the German is tired. Any army is tired after four years of it. Men who have fought mechanically, and later hopelessly, all this time are not individually the match of these Americans, flung fresh into the battle full of youth, strength, spirit and the knowledge of right and the consciousness of victory.

It is no wonder that in France two rainbows shine above the new battlefield of the Marne. One is confidence in Foch, the other is the American army. The rainbows join, for Foch's hope is

in his reserves, and the men from the west are the very heart and soul of them.—New York Sun.

Why Not a Hold-Over?

General Apathy continues to lead the political forces of Vermont, despite the efforts of office seekers who have tried time after time to displace him since the campaign opened. The people appear to be perfectly satisfied with the leadership, and as long as they continue in that frame of mind it is effort wasted to try and change them. Were it not for the ambition of a certain few, who see in the present state of affairs the opportunity of their lives to gum-shoe their way into coveted positions, the solution of the problem could easily be found this year by letting the election go by default, permitting those now in office to hold over until another biennial period. This would save the state a whole lot and enable a number of people, those active in politics, to devote their time to the cultivation of corn, spuds and beans, the farm products that are going to help win the war.

It is the opinion of The Era, and in this it is not alone among the press of Vermont, that its war governor, Horace F. Graham, should be drafted if there is no other equally good method of securing him, to hold over during the continuance of the war, the idea being to keep in office the man conversant with the needs of the government and the state in this time of strife. At no time have we seen it definitely stated that Gov. Graham would decline to serve a second term, and being a patriot in every sense of the word, probably nothing is further from his thought than that, provided the people made it manifest that they wanted him, to continue in office until such time as the necessity for his remaining at the head of Vermont affairs no longer exists. Vermont has its precedent for this in the re-election to office during the Civil war of Gov. Frederick Holbrook, the "war governor" of Brattleboro. This may not suit some of the boys, desirous of climbing the ladder of fame, but there are other large opportunities open to the boys this year in war activities, for which they will not have to go far afield. Let us then go on about our business. Let Gen. Apathy continue in the field. Let us have a hold-over in Vermont. Let those who have served continue to serve. State affairs have never been better administered than they have in this period of war. Why then disrupt existing conditions just to gratify personal ambitions, to foster selfish desires, to further the worship of the great I AM?—Fair Haven Era.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

FOR SALE—A brand-new 34x44, straight-side or clincher Q. D. smooth-tread tire; also inner tube and set 34.4x44 chains, at bargain prices; W. N. Threlkitt, Montpelier, tel. office 588, residence 274-M. 12017

FOUND—Between Barre and St. Johnsbury, ladies' gold watch and pin; owner can have same by proving property and paying for advertising; phone 688-2. 12018

FOR SALE—Green peas for canning, now ready to pick; price reasonable; inquire of F. O. Sablin, Barre, Vt., tel. 223-M. 12019

FOR SALE—Kitchen and parlor stove; also 2 pigs; cheap if taken at once; call at 128 Brook street. 12015

WANTED—Experienced girl for general housework; good pay; apply to Mrs. James F. Dewey, Quebec, Vt. 12016

EXPERIENCED WAITRESSES WANTED—At Crawford House, White Mountains, N. H., address B. L. Finney; carfare both ways. 12013

LOST—Saturday, between Montpelier and Jones Bros., boys' gray belted coat; contained sum of money; finder please return to The Times office and receive reward. 12012

WANTED—Work by the day or hour; also washings to take home; Mrs. Charles Booth, 8 Webster avenue, Barre. 12014

FOR SALE—Indian twin-cylinder motorcycle, in good running condition; will sell cheap if taken at once; reason for selling, am entering the service; apply at 44 Circle street, Barre. 12011

LABORERS WANTED—Apply to the city water department, Barre. 12010

FOR SALE—One Glenwood cook stove in good condition; inquire of C. W. Martin, 84 South Main street. 12012

FOR SALE—Brown mare, 8 yrs. old, weighs 1,500 lbs.; good worker, single or double; E. A. Cutler, R. D. 4, Barre, Vt. 12013



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